

# Overflow

## LIVING IN THE OVERFLOW.

The Holy Spirit can be a little crazy. For instance, after all the followers of Jesus were filled with the Holy Spirit on Pentecost, the rest of the people were split into two categories.

Namely:

1. Wow that's so cool! What's going on here?

And 2. Are these people drunk? (13 But others mocking said, "They are filled with new wine.")

As we live in the Spirit, we can experience freedom like never before. We can receive gifts and extend love, joy, peace, patience, and kindness to the people around us. We are spurred to share Jesus and respond with grace.

Does that sound a little too good to be true? Good news. It's not up to you. It's the Spirit. As you live in the Spirit, you'll be changed. You'll live in the overflow. And HE will do all the work in you.

## IN THE BIBLE.

### **Acts 2:1-4**

When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place. 2 And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. 3 And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested on each

one of them. 4 And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance.

### **John 7:37-39**

On the last and greatest day of the festival, Jesus stood and said in a loud voice, "Let anyone who is thirsty come to me and drink. Whoever believes in me, as Scripture has said, rivers of living water will flow from within them." And let anyone drink who believes in me." As Scripture has said, "Out of him will flow rivers of living water." By this he meant the Spirit, whom those who believed in him were later to receive. Up to that time the Spirit had not been given, since Jesus had not yet been glorified.

### **Ephesians 3:16-19**

I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, may have power, together with all the Lord's holy people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, and to know this love that surpasses knowledge—that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God.

## **QUESTIONS.**

1. What does it mean to you to "live in the overflow" of the Spirit?
2. What can you do to allow the Spirit to continue to flow in your life?

**Whenever you read the Bible, ask yourself these three questions:**

1. What does this tell you about God?
2. What does this tell you about yourself and the world?
3. How is this going to change who you are and how you live?